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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Applicant: Doyle W. Eakin) July 19, 2004
 Appl. No.: 10/656,714) Attorney Docket No. RAR471.01
 Filing Date: 09/04/2003) Group Art Unit 3643
 Title: Plant Pot Drainage Tray) Examiner: Valenti, Andrea M.

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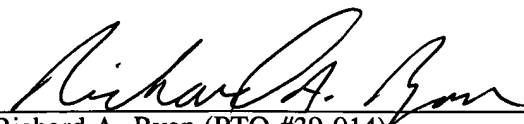
In response to the communication from the Examiner dated February 18, 2004, the applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments be entered pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.115, and reconsideration of the amended application be considered in light of the following:

1. The Examiner's Office Action dated February 18, 2004, provided for a three (3) month shortened statutory period, which expired May 18, 2004. This response/amendment is being filed on July 19, 2004, which is believed to be within the two month extension period in which to file a response/amendment (July 18, 2004 being a Sunday and July 19, 2004 being the Monday immediately following). As a result, a two month extension fee of \$210.00 is included herewith for the two month extension of time for a small entity. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

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1 2. The following materials are enclosed herewith to comply with the Revised
2 Amendment Practice set forth in 37 CFR § 1.121:

3 a. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page
4 3 of this Response/Amendment.

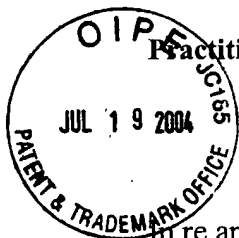
5 b. Remarks/arguments begin on page 8 of this Response/Amendment.
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7 Summary of Claims:

8 Kindly amend claims 1, 11, 12, 13, 15, 17, and 19.

9 Kindly cancel claim 2.

10 Kindly add claim 21.
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is a small entity. A small entity statement was previously filed.

EXTENSION OF TERM

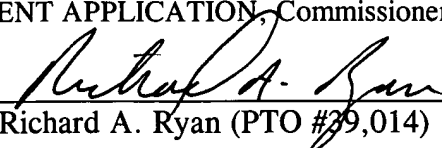
3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.
Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for two (2) months:

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FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col.1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	NON-SMALL ENTITY	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee
Total	20	Minus	20	= 0	x \$18=	\$ 0
Indep.	3	Minus	3	= 0	x \$86 =	\$ 0
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim					+ \$290 =	\$ 0
Total						Addit. Fee \$ 0

PAYMENT

5. A check in the amount of \$210.00 is included herewith.

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